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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the following information is brought to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Patent Application No. 10-281660 (Publication No. 2000-108863). A discussion of relevance of this document is set forth on page 36 of the present application. An English-language abstract of this document is attached for the Examiner's convenience.

To assist the Examiner in entering the foregoing information into the record, the above-noted document is cited on the attached form PTO-1449 and a copy of the document is enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is directed to copending Application No. 09/824,131
naming Yoshiyuki YASUI, Kenji ASANO, Shoji ITO, Akira TANAKA, Hiroaki
YOSHIDA, Mamoru SAWADA, Yuji MURAGISHI, Michio ISHIGURO, Tsugiharu
MATSUNAGA and Eiichi ONO as inventors and filed on April 3, 2001, and copending

Application No. 09/824,835, naming Yoshiyuki YASUI, Takashi YONEKAWA, Akira TANAKA, Hideyuki SUZUKI and Mamoru SAWADA as inventors and filed on April 4, 2001, and the documents cited therein, a copy of each of which is enclosed.



In accordance with MPEP § 609(c)(2) (February 2000, page 600-107), the Office is requested to return a copy of this Information Disclosure Statement with the Examiner's initials adjacent to this paragraph indicating that these copending applications have been considered. By citation to the copending applications, confidentiality is not waived and the Office is requested to maintain the confidentiality of the copending applications under 35 U.S.C. § 122.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the foregoing information and to acknowledge such consideration by initialling, signing and returning the enclosed additional copy of form PTO-1449.

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